VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL August 4, 2009

A telephone conference call meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was held August 4, 2009 at 8:30 A.M. The Board members participating in the meeting were Lynne M. Cooper, Citizen Member, President; Peregrin C. Francisco, R.N., M.S.A.; Florence Jones-Clarke, R.N., M.S.; Brenda Hale, R.N.; Joyce A. Hahn, PhD., APRN, NEA- BC; John M. Horn, L.P.N.; Judith E. Piersall, R.N., B.S.N.; G. Maxine Ponn, L.P.N.; Karen Schultz, Ph.D., M.B.A.; Patricia Selig, R.N., F.N.P., Ph.D.

Others participating in the meeting were Howard M. Casway, Senior Assistant Attorney General; Wayne Halbleib, Assistant Attorney General; Jay P. Douglas, R.N., M.S.M., C.S.A.C., Executive Director; Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S.; Jodi P. Power, R.N., J.D., Deputy Executive Director; Anne Joseph, Administrative Proceedings Division.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Cooper. With ten members of the Board participating, a quorum was established. A poll of those participating showed that a good faith effort to convene a regular meeting within the week was not possible.

Wayne Halbleib, Assistant Attorney General, presented evidence that the continued nursing practice of Homer C. Valdez, C.N.A. 1401-085556 may present a substantial danger to the health and safety of the public.

Ms. Piersall moved to summarily suspend the nurse aide certificate of Homer Valdez pending a formal administrative hearing and to offer a consent order for revocation of his certification with a finding of abuse, in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 A.M.

Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S.
Deputy Executive Director